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Method and Apparatus for Controlling Cross Contamination
Of Microfluid Channels
By: Hasselbrink, et al.

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